

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

DEREK R. NICHOLS,

Petitioner,

v.

SCOTT FRAKES, Director, NE Dept. of
Corr. Srvs., and BARBARA LEWIEN,
Warden of Omaha Correctional Center,

Respondents.

8:15CV66

**MEMORANDUM
AND ORDER**

Petitioner filed a Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (Filing No. [1](#)) and a Motion for Leave to Proceed in Forma Pauperis (Filing No. [4](#)). Habeas corpus cases attacking the legality of a person's confinement require the payment of a \$5.00 filing fee. [28 U.S.C. § 1914\(a\)](#). However, after considering Petitioner's financial status as shown in the records of this court (*see* inmate trust account statement at Filing No. [5](#)), provisional leave to proceed in forma pauperis will be granted and Petitioner is relieved from paying the filing fee at this time. *See* [28 U.S.C. § 1915\(a\)\(1\)](#).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that: Petitioner's Motion for Leave to Proceed in Forma Pauperis (Filing No. [4](#)) is granted. The next step in this case is for the court to conduct a preliminary review of the habeas corpus petition in accordance with Rule 4 of the Rules Governing Section 2254 cases. The court will conduct this review in its normal course of business.

DATED this 28th day of April, 2015.

BY THE COURT:

s/ Joseph F. Bataillon
Senior United States District Judge

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